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petition and application. 1 2 3. The anticipated government witnesses and evidence are located in the Central District of 3 California. 4. Plaintiffs reside in the Central District of California. 4 Plaintiffs maintain venue is also proper in the Eastern District of California for the below reasons, but 5 stipulate and do not oppose a change of venue to the Central District of California: 6 7 1. Plaintiff Nok (Ratchanok Imsomboon) married her first husband in Stockton California, and he 8 petitioned for her on July 29, 2013; 2. Plaintiff and her first husband were interviewed on July 29, 2013; 9 10 3. Immigration officers visited various addresses in Stockton California on or about August 4, 2014; 11 4. Immigration officers interviewed Plaintiffs first husband on or about August 4, 2014 in Stockton 12 13 California; 5. Based on the interview with Plaintiffs first husband, immigration officers concluded that her first 14 15 marriage was entered into for immigration purposes; 6. Plaintiff was thereafter divorced in Stockton Superior Court; 16 17 7. Plaintiffs were thereafter married and petitioned USCIS from their new residence on August 4, 2020 (Central District of California); 18 8. The petition was denied on May 4, 2020; 19 20 9. All the percipient witnesses reside in Stockton California 10. Plaintiffs now challenge the determination that Plaintiffs first marriage was entered into for 21 22 immigration purposes. 23 /// 24 /// 25 /// 26 /// 27 ///

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1	The parties therefore stipulate to a transfer of venue pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), and request that, in
2	the interest of justice, and for the convenience of the parties and witnesses, the Court transfer venue of
3	this case from the Eastern District of California to the Central District of California.
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5	Respectfully submitted,
6	Dated: July 27, 2022 PHILLIP A. TALBERT
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15	ORDER
16	It is so ordered.
17	DATED: August 4, 2022.
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20	CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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